

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Dwight E. Brooker)
) Group Art Unit: 3743
Div of.)
Serial No.: 10/108,281) Examiner: Basichas, Alfred
)
Filed: March 27, 2002) Confirmation No. 7847
)
For: Flame Arrestor with) Atty Docket: PROT-5 DIV
Reflection Suppressor)

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Mail Stop Patent Application
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.56, §1.97 and §1.98, documents that may be material to the examination of this application are listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. Copies of each of the listed documents are enclosed.

No inference should be drawn that the cited documents represent a comprehensive investigation, or that any disclosure in the cited documents is equivalent to the subject invention.

The cited documents disclose numerous specific features. However, there has been no attempt to enumerate each and every feature disclosed by each document. The Examiner is requested to review these documents and to determine the extent of the materiality of the document disclosures, if any, with respect to the present invention.

The discussion of any prior art and the citation of any document herein is not to be construed as an admission that the art or document disclosure is necessarily within the invention's field of endeavor, that the art or document disclosure is necessarily prior in time to a particular date which may be relevant to the instant patent application, and/or that the art or document


disclosure is otherwise necessarily prior art as defined by the patent law with respect to the instant invention and application.

Also, applicants reserve the right to later set forth how the claimed invention is distinguished over the disclosure of any document or prior art, including the disclosures of the prior art and documents recited herein, and that may be cited by the Examiner in rejecting a claim in the instant patent application.

The recitation herein of the art and associated documents is not to be construed as an assertion that more pertinent art could not possibly be in existence.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: September 16, 2003

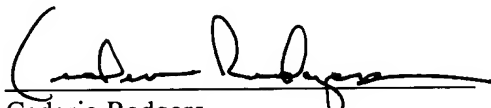
By: 
Michael A. Hierl, Reg. No. 29,807

OLSON & HIERL, LTD.
20 North Wacker Drive, 36th Floor
Chicago, Illinois 60606
(312) 580-1180

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING BY EXPRESS MAIL

I hereby certify that this document and enclosures are being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR 1.10 in an envelope addressed to Mail Stop Patent Application, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on September 16, 2003.

EL385 572 424 US
"Express Mail" label number


Cederic Rodgers

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE CITATION (Use several sheets if necessary)		Atty. Docket No. PROT-5 DIV		Div of Serial No. 10/108.281	
		Applicant Dwight E. Booker			
		Filing Date March 27, 2002		Group 3743	
U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS					
Examiner Initial		Document Number	Date	Name	Class Subclass Filing Date if Appropriate
	A	4,909,730	03-1990	Roussakis et al.	
	B	5,415,233	05-1995	Roussakis et al.	
	C	3,748,111	07-1973	Klose	
	D	2,420,599	05-1947	Jurs	
	E	1,681,698	08-1928	Brooks	
FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS					
		Document Number	Date	Country	Class Subclass Translation Yes No
	F	1,057,187	06/26/79	Canada	
OTHER DOCUMENTS (including Author, Title, Date, etc.)					
	G	Perry's Chemical Engineers' Handbook, 7th Ed. 1997 pages 26-38 to 26-43			
Examiner			Date Considered		
EXAMINER: Initial if citation considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to Applicant.					